

Town of Bow Bulletin

September 2021

Bow's New Police Chief

The Town of Bow is pleased to announce that Kenneth Miller has been selected as the next chief of the Bow Police Department.

Chief Miller comes to Bow with over 22 years of law enforcement experience. He has served in progressively responsible police and command roles including field training officer, sergeant, patrol supervisor and patrol executive commander. He is currently serving as police chief for the Town of Thornton.

Chief Miller has vast experience creating and implementing community initiatives including a program using police officers as mentors to students in local schools, creation of a volunteer Community Emergency Response Team and department participation in several programs including National Night Out, Trunk or Treat, toy and food drives, meal deliveries to seniors, bicycle rodeos and youth outreach.

In addition to Chief Miller's professional credentials, he holds a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Administration from Charter Oak College and a master's degree in Justice Studies with a Terrorism/Homeland Security Certificate from Southern New Hampshire University.

Chief Miller will assume his duties with the Bow Police Department on November 8, 2021.





Congratulations to Chief Eliot Berman

Eliot Berman has been named as the next chief of the Bow Fire Department.

Chief Berman joined the department as a call member in 2002 and he was hired as a full time FF/EMT-I in 2004. He served as a Captain-Paramedic prior to being named chief.

Chief Berman is an adjunct faculty member and clinical coordinator at the New Hampshire Technical Institute's Paramedic Program, and he serves as paramedic for the Central NH Special Operations Unit (SWAT team). He is a part time NH certified police officer and works as a Deputy Sheriff with the Merrimack County Sheriff's office.

Bow Recreation Center is Up and Running



The Town's purchase of the former Bow Youth Center was finalized on Friday, August 27. On that day, the Youth Center held its last day of summer camp. On August 30, the Bow Recreation Center was up and running and the Recreation Department was conducting its before and after school programs.

Thank you to Parks and Recreation Director Darcy Little, Selectman Colleen Hunter, Town Manager David Stack, Finance Director Geoff Ruggles, Bookkeeper Joyce Mooers and all of the Parks and Recreation staff who went above and beyond to make sure it was a seamless transition.

The Department's Celebrating Children Preschool program has also been relocated to the new building and the Department is looking forward to offering more programs at the Center in the future.

A special thank you goes to Tim and Donna Morrison for all they have done for generations of Bow families over the years!



Photo by Eric Anderson

Heritage Commission Repairing the Bow Bog Meetinghouse Shutters

Fourteen window shutters from the Bow Bog Meeting House have had missing slats replaced, been squared up and sanded, and they are now primed and waiting for a fresh coat of paint. More are to be removed and rehabbed in the next phase of the project. Thank you to Heritage Commission members David Lindquist, John Meissner, and Dik Dagavarian (pictured) for your efforts. Thank you also to the Department of Public Works for providing the work space. For more information on the Heritage Commission visit www.bownh.gov.

Have you registered your Dog?

If you have not, late fees started to accrue in June. Forfeiture notices will be mailed out by certified mail in September and there will be an additional \$30 fee added in addition to the late fees.

No dog is exempt. If your dog cannot get a rabies vaccine due to health reasons, you need to provide a rabies exempt form signed by both the State Veterinarian and your own veterinarian. The rabies exempt form is only valid for 1 year. You will have to provide a new form each year.

If you do not have your dog any more, please contact our office at 603-223-3980 so we may update our records.



RETIREMENTS

The Town is saying goodbye to three long-time employees. Thank you all for your service to the residents of the Town of Bow.

Mitchell Harrington, Fire Department

Chief Mitch Harrington has retired from the Bow Fire Department after 21 years of service. His last day with the Town was 9/3/21. Mitch came to the Bow Fire Department in 2000 as a FF/EMT-1. He was then promoted Lieutenant, Captain, Deputy Chief and in April of 2017 he became the first full time Fire Chief for the Town of Bow. Mitch is now serving with the Federal Emergency Management Agency as an Emergency Services Branch Director on the Agency's National Incident Management Team. Best wishes on your new adventure!



Tom Ferguson, Fire Department

Captain Tom Ferguson will be retiring from the Bow Fire Department on 9/28/21. He has served the Department since 1981 as a volunteer firefighter, fulltime firefighter, Lieutenant, and Captain/Fire Inspector. He also served as the Town Health Officer. Tom was a member of the Central NH Hazardous Materials Team as a haz-mat technician, Captain, and Deputy Chief. Congratulations, Tom. Enjoy your retirement!



Cindy Greenwood-Young, Celebrating Children

Cindy Greenwood-Young has retired after 24 years of service as Director of the Celebrating Children Preschool. She played an important role in the development, expansion and success of Celebrating Children and she has been instrumental in providing generations of Bow's children with the opportunity to play, learn and grow. Thank you very much Cindy! We will miss you.



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